

# CHRISTMAS GREETING:-

THE past year has been a most successful one with us and we trust that it has been such with every one that reads this greeting. We have prospered and our business has grown and we feel that in a sense you are responsible for our success. We have tried to deal fairly with you, and in response you have made it possible for us to say that it has been the most successful year in the history of our business.

The coming year is filled with good tidings, and we want you to feel that our store is open to you at all times.

We will continue as in the future as in the past to give the best values possible in the hardware line, and wishing one and all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year, we remain,

Most respectfully yours,

## EMIL L. HIRSCHI

THE HARDWARE MAN

Hurrah For Oklahoma!  
Here's hurrah for Oklahoma, Uncle  
Sammy's youngest state!  
She's a hustling fine addition to the  
U. S. syndicate!

And she's mighty, mighty welcome as  
the stars about the van;  
So it's Ho! for Oklahoma! Oklahoma,  
ma spick and span!

She's been waiting with a patience  
That's a credit to her fame  
For to see the constellation with a  
star tucked to her name.  
And we're mighty glad to see her in  
the bright and starry band;  
So it's Ho! for Oklahoma! Oklahoma,  
here's a band!  
In her soil as yet uncultured lie the  
greatest stores of wealth;  
In her air so crisp and bracing is an  
endless store of health;  
In her people there are neighbors  
will fill your life with zest;  
So, it's Ho! for Oklahoma! Oklahoma  
of the west!

'Tis a pretty gift for Christmas that  
they've brought the U. S. A.  
And a cause of glad thanksgiving on  
the glad Thanksgiving day.  
And the flag that waves above us  
takes a brighter, fairer hue  
When we think of Oklahoma. Okla-  
homa, here's to you!  
—John Kendrick Banks, in Harpers.

The Man Behind  
Gee Waa again has Theodora  
Reached out and hit the drum  
Of admonition and reproof.  
And it is sounding some.

The Ananias Club again  
Has drawn some new recruits,  
And if the invoice is correct  
They certainly are beasts.

The Hara and the infamous  
With trimmings on the side  
Are wishing now that they'd been  
good  
And never, never fled.  
Oh, say, somebody ought to go  
To Indiana now,  
And sock that Foulke man in the  
slats  
For raising such a row.

By putting letters into print  
Instead of in the fire  
When well he knew that they would  
raise  
The Presidential ire.

Oh, ain't it awful, Mabel, say,  
To hear him talk like that  
It sounds almost as if his mouth  
Had come off on a bat.  
By Christopher! those naughty men  
Should let T. R. alone,  
Because they know what happens  
when  
They monkey round the throne.

But if they will persist, why, then  
To scotch our troubled souls,  
Somebody ought to take Foulke out  
And shoot him full of holes.  
W. J. LAMPTON.

### COLORED LIBRARY A SUCCESS

"Reference and scientific books are called for most by our readers," was the statement made by Mrs. E. S. Ridgely, assistant librarian of the Excelsior separate library, which was recently established at the corner of Second street and Perkins avenue by the Excelsior club of this city. "The library now has over 700 volumes, although it has been open as a public institution but a short time. The volumes already secured were by personal donation. In the list of books are included three sets of encyclopedias, many volumes of history and several volumes on scientific subjects. The majority of the books are fiction, but there are many of solid reading."

When asked if novels were not much in demand Mrs. J. C. Horton, the librarian, stated that they had but few calls, and that the colored high school students called more for reference books than books of fiction. She added that they always discouraged the reading of novels and such books and urged the young people to read histories and books that would be of benefit. The club has several nice rooms fitted up in the building, which has been purchased by the club members, who have already begun an active campaign towards raising funds to build a substantial brick structure on the site which the club owns. The club has the leading magazines and periodicals which are donated by members. Magazines, no matter how old, are acceptable. The library is open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. on weekdays and from 1 p. m. to 3 p. m. on Sundays. Last Saturday a "Jenny Wren Needle Work Department" was inaugurated by a girl's club, which has comfortable rest rooms and a work room in the second story. The club members number ten and each gives an hour's work daily to making embroidery and fancy needle work, which are to be sold at sales conducted by the club, the proceeds going to the benefit of the book fund of the library. The club is now engaged in making suitable Christmas presents which are to be sold at a bazaar to be held next week.

The register of the library shows there are from twenty to thirty callers daily, including many out of town parties.

### HOBART'S "SUNSHINE CLUB."

Special to Daily Leader.  
Hobart, Okla., Dec. 17.—The latest acquisition to Hobart's social circles is an organization known as "The Sunshine club," and is a branch of the National organization of the same name. The organization is a charitable one, and will have charge of feeding all of the poor children in this vicinity Christmas.

### THE CHRISTMAS "WAR CRY" ROCK ISLAND APPEALS CASE

"The War Cry," Salvation Army's general publication, for Christmas, comes crested in holly and mistletoe, bearing gladness to readers, and filled with Christmas stories of good deeds and great accomplishments. It carries greetings from President-elect Taft and the great Nebraska Commonwealth. Likewise it is received throughout all Christendom as the organ of the greatest crusader body for good and kindness the world has yet known. Wherever charity is listed as the greatest virtue, the lady and ladies who follow William Booth are privileged mendicants for the needs of others. God knows they ask little for themselves.

The Bank Guarantees.  
We are in receipt of a circular from Mr. Hat Gaskins, of Zenobia, Sangamon county, Illinois, asking us to "whop her up" for a bank guarantee law.

We can't do it, Hat. No doubt the people of Zenobia are earnestly desirous of such a law; but we are not in on it. The people had an opportunity a few weeks ago, Hat, to embrace the bank guaranty plan as proposed by Mr. Bryson. They turned it down. We have seen too many Democratic ideas adopted by the Republicans. We are not going to ask them to adopt more. If the people want Democratic ideas they should adopt Democratic candidates.

No, we have come to the conclusion that a set of people who fear that clover will turn to cocklebur and that cows will give bloody milk in case a Republican is not elected, need a guardian more than they need a guarantee that their bank roll is safe.

The fellow who thinks Taft and Roosevelt are responsible for the high price of corn, would not be benefitted by a bank guarantee, for is it not written that a "fool and his money are soon parted?"—White County (Illinois) Democrat.

Letters to Santa Claus 18  
Guthrie, Okla. Dear Santa Claus: Dear old Santa I ask for please bring me a doll about two feet high with life hair and paper mache body and have the fingers wide apart so that I can put a ring on it and eye winkers and please give me a doll buggy bring a bed for the doll and a stove that I can put fire in and some tin pans and iron kettles and a skillet and some nice dishes. Your friend, Esther Bruce.  
P. S. I live at 801 East Vilas avenue.

The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company and the Choctaw & Northern Railway company vs. the Union Industrial Railway company, which is chartered under the Oklahoma laws to build a railroad six-tenths of a mile in length from the Rock Island to the Orient at Allene, passing the cotton gin, mills and other manufacturing plants. It is estimated that this railroad, with its limited mileage, would handle 250 cars of freight annually, doing away with the transfer charges and the work of unloading and reloading cars.

The Rock Island, in its appeal, questions the jurisdiction of the corporation commission, and contends that the order deprives them of their property without due process of law, as guaranteed by the constitution.

Christmas Carol.  
(By Josiah Gilbert Holland.)  
There's a song in the air!  
There's a star in the sky!  
There's a mother's deep prayer  
And a baby's low cry!  
And the star rains its fire while the  
Beautiful sing,  
For the manger of Bethlehem cradles  
a king.

There's a tumult of joy  
O'er the wonderful birth  
For the virgin's sweet boy  
Is the Lord of the earth.  
Aye! the star rains its fire and the  
Beautiful sing,  
For the manger of Bethlehem cradles  
a king.

In the light of that star  
Like the ages impeded;  
And that song from afar  
Has swept over the world,  
Every hearth is aflame, and the Beau-  
tiful sing  
In the homes of the nation that  
Jesus is King.

We rejoice in the light,  
And we echo the song  
That comes down through the night  
From the heavenly throng.  
Aye! we shout to the lovely evangel  
they bring,  
And we greet in his cradle our Sa-  
viour and King.

T. W. Skillern, Tishomingo, says so-called commercial clubs asking for conservatism, are working for promoters and grafters.

During after state institution.



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### GOD REST YE, MERRY GENTLEMEN

By Dinah Mulock Craik.

God rest ye, merry gentlemen, let  
nothing you dismay,  
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour, was  
born on Christmas day:  
The dawn rose red o'er Bethlehem,  
The stars shone bright the gray,  
When Jesus Christ, our Saviour, was  
born on Christmas day.

God rest ye, little children, let  
nothing you affright,  
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour, was  
born this very night:  
Along the hills of Galilee the white  
Rocks sleeping lay,  
When Christ, the child of Nazareth,  
was born on Christmas day.

God rest ye all, good Christians, upon  
this blessed morn,  
The Lord of all good Christians was  
of a woman born;  
Now all your sorrows He doth heal,  
you, sin He takes away,  
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour, was  
born on Christmas day.

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